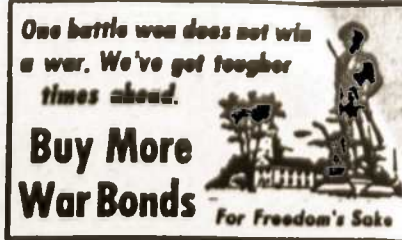




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Find Important Record In Refuse Sale Book At The Leach Auction

Something over a year ago Mrs. Charles E. Leach of the Farms, held an auction of her furnishings at Sunset Farm. A large crowd had gathered and articles were readily disposed of. Among the accumulations was a heap of old books which found no sale. Upon examination of these books there was found a letter book and a regimental record of 14th Iowa Volunteers, which served in the Civil War. It was ascertained that Col. William Shaw began the records in February, 1861 and there is a letter from him to his superior officer, Col. I. G. Lauman, commanding the 4th brigade, describing the action before Fort Donaldson. He speaks of his men entering the fight and of those given honors for bravery. He speaks of Sgt. Major Stillman H. Smith "shot dead at my side." There are reports, one by Lieut. Kirkman to General Sherman on the use of Austrian rifles, etc. From Benton barracks is a list of missing articles of members of the regiment. There is an entry of the need of recruits and the reports of the nine captains by companies. The second book contains a description of the regiment and reveals promotions, dismissals, illnesses and deaths.

How these old books found their way to Northfield and in this collection is much of a mystery, but evidently they were brought to New England by some one, and became lost or discarded because their value was not appreciated. Mrs. Leach has forwarded these books and presented them to the Iowa State Library and has received a letter of thanks for the priceless records which afford many historical facts of the 14th Iowa Volunteer Regiment.

Activities At Hermon In The Summer School

The summer school at Mount Hermon is making excellent progress. More than 80 boys have now completed more than one half of the eight-weeks term, which closes August 14. The close attention to study, the good health, and the splendid spirit of cooperation among students and teachers have combined to produce most commendable results. The recreation camp, consisting of eight boys is likewise enjoying a successful season.

Mary Maria Nye Dies

Mrs. Mary M. Nye, 76, widow of John Ellis Nye died suddenly at her home on Main street on Tuesday afternoon, July 27th. She had suffered a heart attack and had been in poor health for a long time, although spending the winter in Florida. She was born in Northfield, the daughter of Alvin and Mary (Fisher) Long and had spent her life in this community. She was married to Mr. Nye, September 18, 1893 and he died in 1929. She conducted a tourist home with considerable success and her patrons returned time and time again while passing through or staying on a visit to the community. She was much interested in town affairs and its varied activities. Mrs. Nye was a charter member of the local Chapter of the Eastern Star and had served in its offices. She attended the Congregational church and participated in the work of its women's organizations. Her friends and they were many, will mourn her loss. Surviving are a daughter, Miss Nellie R. Nye of Greenfield and one brother, George Long of Boston. There are also several nieces and nephews. The funeral services were held at her late home, the following Friday afternoon, with Rev. W. Stanley Carne of Elizabeth town, N. Y., a former pastor of the Congregational church officiating. Burial was in the family plot in Center cemetery.

William F. Nichols Dies

William F. Nichols, for many years treasurer of the Mount Hermon school and who also served as treasurer of the combined Northfield Schools, died at his home in Hartford, Conn., on Tuesday, July 27, after many years of failing health at the age of 85. He formerly lived on Boston street in East Northfield and was retired several years ago. He was a faithful and efficient official and thoroughly conversant with the responsibilities which he assumed in the financial management of the schools. He leaves one son, Philip and two grandchildren. The funeral was at Kidders Funeral parlor on Friday afternoon, July 30th and burial was in the Center cemetery at Gili.

When "Blackout" Comes Understand The Signals Ignorance Is Failure



The recent surprise "blackout" in Northfield and this region hereabouts revealed that it was well observed by our citizens and that over eighty per cent of the Civilian Defense personnel responded promptly and were at their stations in the line of duty. However from evidence and from personal enquiry, it has been found that many well meaning people, still do not understand the signals and unintentionally "go wrong" in the matter of lights and traffic. Since many are perplexed with the names of the alarms, given and called red, blue and yellow, the Press is printing here a simplified version, which even the child may understand. There are four alarms and here is your understanding:

The first alarm, a steady two-minute blast, means that "planes are on the way." On this signal all building and house lights must go out unless blackout curtains are used. Only in manufacturing plants essential to the war effort are unblackout lights permitted to show. Pedestrians and traffic may move, automobiles with their headlights on low beam.

Second alarm—a series of short blasts, meaning "bombing expected." If at night this indicates a complete blackout. Traffic stops, citizens seek shelter and no one is permitted to move except those on air raid duty.

Third alarm—a steady two-minute blast indicating "planes have passed but may return, stay on the alert." Pedestrians and vehicular traffic may move on this signal, but street and building lights stay out.

Fourth alarm—the all clear, a long blast for approximately 10 seconds, meaning "planes are gone, danger is past." Lights may go on at this signal and activities may be resumed.

Perhaps the most important thing to remember in a test, is that all lights go out for the "blackout" on the first signal and all buildings must remain dark until the "all clear" or fourth signal.

Also remember that if you go out for the evening, do not leave any lights burning. Chairman George McEwan of the local Defense Council suggests that every building post a copy of these "blackout" regulations.

Fuel Oil Coupons Sent

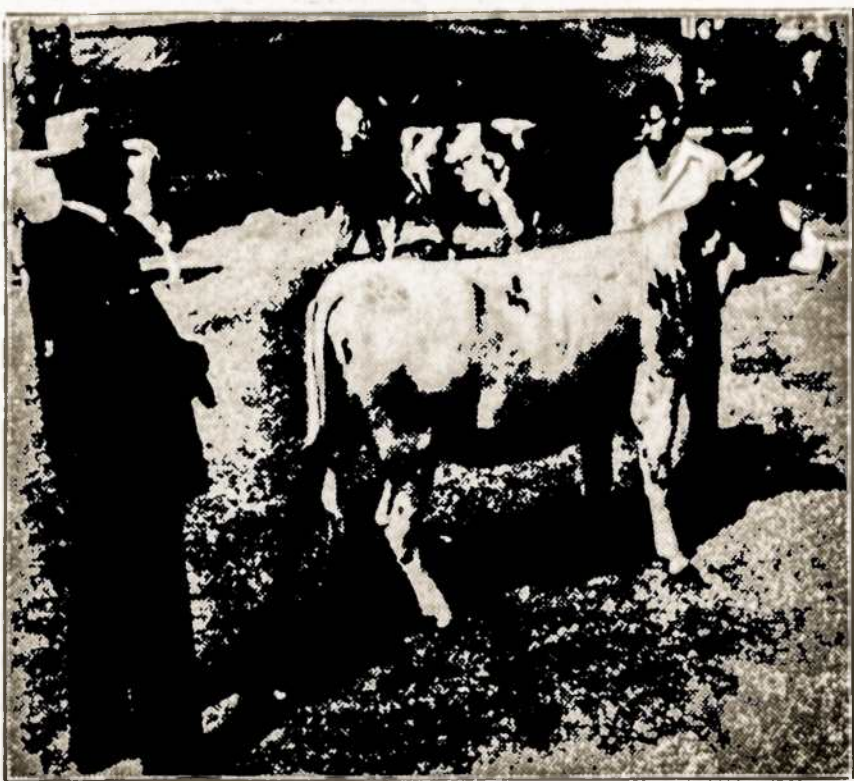
Most of our citizens have already received their fuel oil coupons through the mail, from the office of the local rationing board. The sheets were tailored with coupons according to the minimum requirements of the applicants and it is hoped that the allotment will be sufficient for the period which began July first and will end October 1, 1944. Everyone using oil for any purpose should endeavor to economize in its use and furnaces should not be started this fall until absolutely necessary. In Northfield about the same number of applications have been received as last year. The value of the coupons on the sheet are clearly designated. In class 4 the coupons on the right are "units" of 10 gals. each and on the left the value in gallons are exactly indicated. In class 5, the consumer coupons are of higher value. Upon receipt of your certificate, sign your name immediately to it, where indicated.

Air Warning Talk

Chief Observer F. Warren Whitman of the Air Warning Service has been notified that the A. W. S. moving pictures which were shown here in the spring will be given at Barnardston on August 10. It is possible that new pictures of the North African invasion will be included. Those interested may get further details as to time and place from Mr. Whitman.

Rev. Dr. George Irving

Information received by friends here is that the Rev. Dr. George Irving, a former executive secretary of the National Council of the Y. M. C. A., died on Thursday, July 29, in Montreal at the age of 66. Dr. Irving retired in 1937. He was born in Canada, and was a graduate of McGill University. Beside his work and activities with the Y. M. C. A., he was associated in the endeavors of the Educational Board of the Presbyterian church in Philadelphia. He had often visited Northfield and his voice was heard in addresses at Mount Hermon school and at the Conferences. His wife and three children survive.



COUNTY FAIR WILL BE HELD SOON THREE-DAY PROGRAM ANNOUNCED PRE-FAIR TICKET SALE TO BEGIN

The popular county fair held each year in Greenfield at Franklin Park by the Franklin County Agricultural Society will again welcome its visitors to its extensive exhibits on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, September 13, 14 and 15. There will be the usual display of industrial and mercantile concerns, and it is hoped that the entries of agricultural products will be larger than usual. There will be the showing of all kinds of livestock, including horses, cattle, swine, sheep and poultry. The various Granges of the county will again co-operate in making their displays, and it is expected that there will be a showing of considerable canned goods. The fair will emphasize the war effort. There will be a complete program for each day.

The campaign to sell 4500 prefair tickets of admission will be undertaken on Thursday evening, August 19, when a dinner will be provided for the canvassers at Deerfield Academy and the districts allotted. The people of Northfield and vicinity have always maintained a keen interest in the county fair and many exhibitors have come from this section. It is hoped that again this year the usual support will be given and plans made by all interested to attend at least one day this year. The fair will provide considerable pleasure for those attending but remember it is an agricultural exhibition, and a valuable educational proposition.

Removes To Manchester Accepts Library Job

Mrs. George W. Norton of Birnam Road, who recently resigned as librarian of the Dickinson Memorial library of this town, has accepted the position of librarian of the Mary Cheney library of Manchester, Conn., and began her duties on August 1st. She has sold her home to Prof. and Mrs. Horace H. Morse of Highland avenue. With her son, Donald, and daughter, Ruth, they will make for themselves a new home in that fine community.

Changes In Trustees Dickinson Library

Miss Julia B. Austin, of Main street, who is a member of the board of library trustees, of Dickinson Memorial Library, elected for the term ending at the time of the annual town meeting, 1944, has resigned and her resignation was accepted with regret. To fill the vacancy, Miss Mercy A. Brann was chosen by the board at a recent meeting. The selection of Miss Brann meets with popular approval.

More Blackout Tests

It is announced officially from Boston by Chairman Farley of the State Public Safety committee that there will be a state-wide blackout test in early September, supervised by Maj. Gen. Sherman Miles of the first service command, and that regional tests will be inaugurated immediately, to maintain the efficiency of the various Civil Defense organizations. George McEwan is chairman of the local Defense Council.

Announce Engagement

Mr. and Mrs. Reuben Rikert of this town announce the engagement of their daughter, Carolyn, to Robert Allen of Boston. Miss Rikert is a graduate of Northfield Seminary and is now studying at the Perry Kindergarten Normal school in Boston. Mr. Allen is a graduate of Presque Isle High school of Maine, attended Wentworth Institute of Boston and is now employed by the Bethlehem Steel Co.

Select New Teachers

The local school committee at its recent meeting have named Miss Adeline O'Neil as teacher of English and Spanish and Miss Gladys Midura as teacher of commercial subjects at the High school next year. Both are residents of Chicopee.

TOWN TOPICS

A son, Dennis Lee, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Bolton of Silver Spring, Md., on Tuesday July 27th and is a grandson of Mr. and Mrs. J. Lee Bolton of this town and Mr. and Mrs. Walter MacInnes of West Roxbury.

A conference of community service members of Rationing boards of this district was held with officials of the Springfield district office at Greenfield, Tuesday evening, July 27. Mr. Hoehn of the local board attended.

Mrs. Robert V. Dunbar of New York city is spending a few weeks at her cottage in the Highlands.

Large Audience Enjoy Gay Saturday Night At Green Pastures

A large number of people gathered on the lawn at Green Pastures, the home of A. P. Fitt, Saturday evening, July 24 to enjoy an evening program of music, in aid of the local Servicemen's committee. Chairs had been provided for seating the audience and the porch was used as the stage for most of the artists. Mr. Fitt presided and announced the events. A group of young people from the Youth Hostel, including some negro singers from Rabbit Hollow camp, gave a series of songs and folk dances; from the Louise Andrews camp of the Salvation Army came soloists, both vocal and instrumental; under the direction of Paul Ivory, the brass orchestra rendered several numbers. Members of the staff at Revell hall gave selections and a group from the Northfield Hotel also participated. The concert was very much enjoyed and the selections, so well rendered by the participants, were appreciated. Young men acted as ushers and the sale tables were presided over by young ladies. Caroline Miller and Betty Taylor were at the refreshment bowl. Janet Pearsall in charge of the gift table, Jean McEwan sold the cards and matches and Donald Loos the candy sales. It was a social evening and of marked success and members of the Servicemen's committee were in attendance. Mrs. Powell, the committee's energetic leader, reports that a handsome sum was realized for the treasury, and it is expected that another affair will shortly be arranged.

Rationing Information Guide To All Consumers

Red Stamp Rationing — Red stamps in War Ration Book Two covering meats, butter, fats, canned milk and most cheeses, T, U, V, W—valid as follows: July 26, Aug. 1, 8 and 15. The expiration date in each case is Aug. 31.

Blue Stamp rationing—N, P, and Q blue stamps in War Ration Book Two covering processed foods, etc., are valid through Aug. 7. Stamps R, S and T are valid through September 7.

Ration Book Three—If you failed to apply by mail for the forthcoming book, your next chance is to apply in person at the Rationing Board on or after August 1.

Sugar—Stamp No. 13 in War Ration Book One food for five pounds of sugar through August 15. From now until October 31 an allowance of ten pounds for the season's home canning will be made available by using stamps 15 and 16.

Coffee—No ration stamp necessary.

Shoes—Stamp No. 18 in War Ration Book One is good for one pair through October 31.

Gasoline—No. 6 coupons in A books, good for three gallons each, expire Nov. 22. Coupons in B and C books now good for two and a half gallons.

Tires — Sept. 30 — Second tire inspection for A book holders must be completed. Third inspection for C book holders must be made by Aug. 30.

Fuel Oil—No. 5 fuel oil coupons now valid until September 30, 1942-1943 series. Period 1 coupons of the new series are valid from July 1 to January 4.

Must Endorse—From now on, the face of every gasoline ration coupon in a motorist's possession must be endorsed clearly in ink with his automobile registration number and the State where issued (for example, Mass. 529,325). It is illegal to hold or carry coupons not so endorsed.

Ration Board Hours—On Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays the office is open at town hall from 10 a. m. to 4 p. m.; Thursdays from 10 a. m. to 12 noon, and from 7 p. m. to 9:30 p. m. The office is closed on Fridays and Saturdays.

Arrive At Crossnore

The annual summer shipment of boxes of wearing apparel, etc., for use of Crossnore school, a home for Mountain children, at Crossnore, N. C., was made by Mrs. William F. Hoehn, about the 14th of June and in a letter of acknowledgement just received, the boxes arrived by freight on July 24th. The articles will all be appreciated, for use by the children, in the industrial department, and in the medical center, which serves the large surrounding district. Those who have no often contributed will be glad to learn that their contributions are appreciated.

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Eggplant grows slowly, and should be started under protection. The plants require an even temperature and do not thrive in cold frames. A dozen plants will be sufficient for an average family, and they are usually obtainable in the markets.

The plants require rich soil, but will do well in any garden which has been well fertilized. As they are extremely tender and would be killed by light frost they should never be set in the garden until all danger of frost is over. Set them 18 inches to 2 feet apart in the row, and keep them growing by frequent shallow cultivation.

When fruits begin to set, a side dressing of plant food will help them. Some varieties produce a few large fruits, others many small ones, and the latter may be preferable for a small family. The fruit is edible so long as the skin has a high gloss; when it begins to dull the fruit is too old for use.

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TOWN TOPICS

Miss Euphrasia Purrington, our town nurse, is enjoying the month of August on vacation during which time she will visit with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. Wood, who are spending the summer here at their home on Main street, were greeted by the arrival of their son-in-law, Hugo Sant Fournier and young son, Robert Charles, this week for a short visit from Bermuda, making the trip by plane. Their daughter, Mrs. Sant Fournier was prevented from coming owing to passport difficulties. The young son is a grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Wood and of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Fournier of Valetta, Malta.

Mrs. Mary Field of Winchester road has received information that her grandson, George E. Field of Springfield, who is in the U. S. N., is confined at the Naval hospital in San Diego, Calif.

Mrs. Arthur Packard and her son David Bruce of Rye, N. Y., are at the home of her mother, Mrs. William R. Moody for a visit. Miss Sarah Smith of Grand Rapids, Mich., is visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Powell.

The Misses Gertrude Lauber and Ruth Card of Elmhurst, N. Y., have arrived to spend their summer vacation at Cozy cottage on the Ridge.

Guests at the home of Mrs. Grace C. Cornell on Winchester road include Mrs. J. Francis Russell of Lakewood, R. I.; Mrs. James M. Lent of Providence, R. I.; Mrs. M. Louisa Shaw of Providence, R. I.; Miss Harriett Weaver of Elmhurst, N. Y.; Miss Gertrude Mallett of Lynn; Miss Mary F. Mallett also of Lynn, and Miss Christine MacFadden of New York city.

The Misses Mabel and Anne Brooks of Elizabeth, N. J., are occupying the Avery cottage in Mountain Park for the summer.

Pvt. Ray Quinlan of the Army hospital corps has been discharged from the service and with his wife will make their residence at the Quinlan home and care for his father, who is soon to leave the hospital. Mr. Quinlan has entered the employ of William D. Miller.

Rev. and Mrs. William H. Bollman of Lancaster, Pa., are spending the summer at their cottage on Rustic Ridge.

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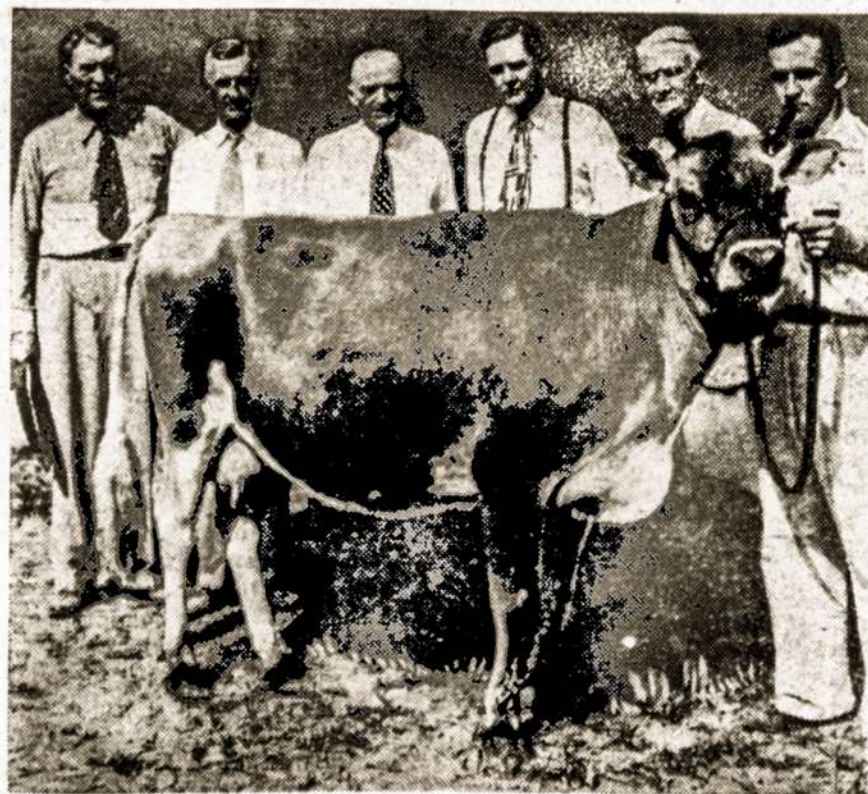
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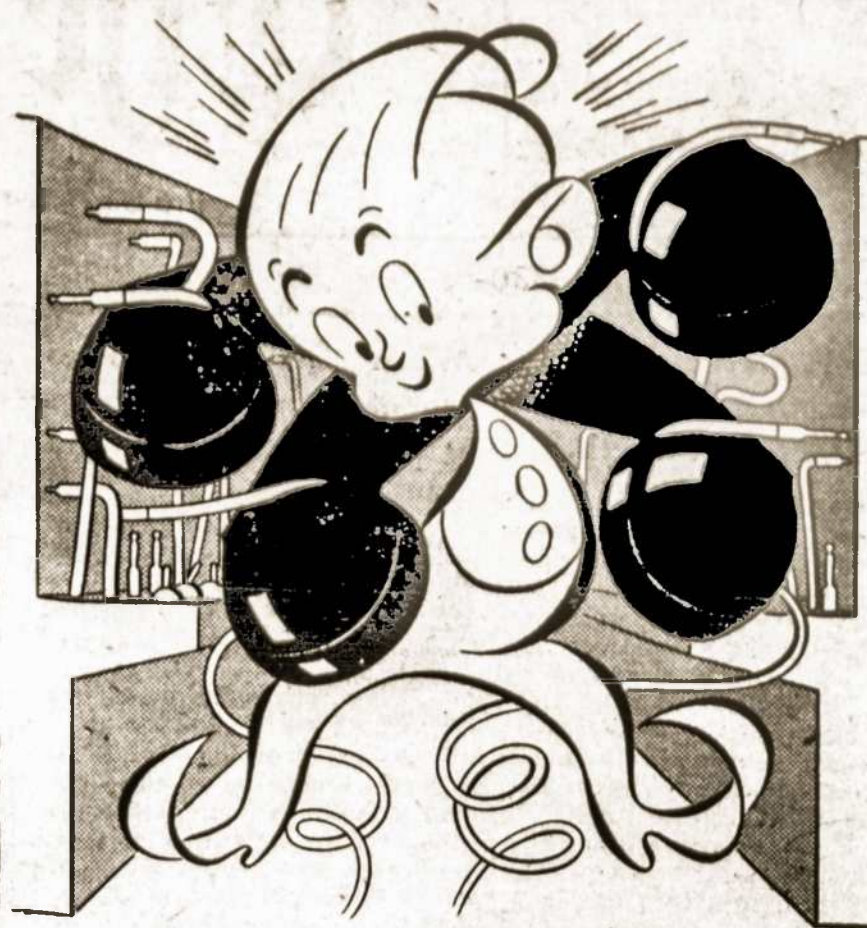
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Pictured with "Sally," left to right, are O. E. VanCleave, sale manager, W. R. Cooke, Athens, Tennessee, her breeder, Congressman Jim McCord, auctioneer, J. L. Hutcheson, Jr., Rossville, Georgia, her purchaser, Judge J. G. Adams, President of The American Jersey Cattle Club, and Ray DeMoss, manager of Ridgeway Farms.

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